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ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAM CONTINUES

KIRGIZ ELECTRIC POWER INCREASES -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 27, 11 Feb 49

During the Five-Year Plan, new electric power plants have been constructed and put into operation in the Kirgiz SSR. They include the second section of the Voroshilov GES, two Alameda GESs, and Przheval'sk GES. The total capacity of the new plants is 14,000 kilowatts. Electric power generated in the Republic in 1948 increased 117 percent over 1940 and 45 percent over 1945.

Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 54, 19 Mar 49

The first unit of the GES on the Ak-Dzhar River in Mirza-Akinskiy Rayon has been put into operation. The unit has a capacity of 175 kilowatts and supplies the rayon centers and adjacent kolkhozes.

AKTYUBINSK BUILDS 47 POWER PLANTS -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 51, 13 Mar 49

During 1948, 47 power plants were built in Aktyubinsk Oblast, and more are scheduled for construction this year. A 110-kilowatt hydroelectric power plant built on the Sarakhobda River in Klyuchevy Rayon.

FARKHAD GES GETS FOURTH GENERATOR -- Pravda, No 98, 8 Apr 49

Bugovat -- On 7 April the third generator unit of the Farkhad GES produced its first electricity for Tashkent Oblast enterprises. Current from the new generator will be tied in to the "Uzbekenergo" Power Network.

Assembly workers of the GES have pledged to put the fourth generator unit into service early in the second half of 1949.

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NEW GES PLANNED FOR JEWISH AO -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 45, 24 Feb 49

The question of building an interkolkhoz hydroelectric power plant on the Bidzhan River, Jewish Autonomous Oblast, is being discussed by representatives of kolkhozes and village soviets, secretaries of kolkhoz Party organizations, and directors of MTSs. Veselovskiy, engineer of the Khabarovsk Kray "Sel'elektro" (Rural Electrification) Office, who has done extensive research on the Bidzhan River, found that the most suitable location for the new power plant is the village of Preobrazhenovka with its nearby supplies of construction materials, stone and timber. According to preliminary estimates, the cost of the first 500-kilowatt unit of the power plant (maximum capacity, 1,500 kilowatts), which will serve kolkhozes and MTSs on the Bidzhan and the Ust'-Sungariyskaya MTS, will come to more than one million rubles. If construction is begun on 1 March, with 40 workers per day working on the project, the first section could be completed in December.

NEW HYDROELECTRIC PLANT DESIGNED -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 46, 25 Feb 49

Postol and Vlasov, design engineers at one of the Omsk plants, have designed a new type of hydroelectric power plant. The new plant is portable and can be installed on any river, and in any section of the river, without hindering navigation. The installation does not require great expenses, a special dam, or other capital construction work. The hydroelectric power plant which needs no dam makes it possible to supply electricity to kolkhozes, MTSs, and sovkhoses, situated along rivers.

The technical council of the "Sel'elektro" Omsk Oblast Office considered the invention of Postol and Vlasov extremely valuable.

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